

REMARKS

The application as filed claimed priority as being a continuation-in-part application to two different applications: Serial Nos. 09/924,298 and 09/923,891 (the "parent applications"). On September 16, 2003, the applicant updated the priority claim to further include the parents (and grandparents) of the parent application. The updated priority claim was correct, but there was some confusion in the patent office about the sentence structure of the priority claim. The sentence structure and priority claim were correct, but since there are eight different parents and grandparents of the present application, applicant has agreed to rewrite the priority claim in a simpler form.

The present preliminary amendment simplifies the previous priority claims by breaking the two patent "families" into separate sentences. Also, an updated application data sheet is provided herewith to help the patent office in properly listing the priority for the filing receipt.

An early action on the merits is requested and, should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding the forgoing amendments, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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